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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

17 LUXOTTICA RETAIL NORTH
18 AMERICA, INC., an Ohio Corporation,
19 and LUXOTTICA GROUP, S.P.A., an
Italian Joint Stock Company,

21 Plaintiffs,

V

JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN, an
Individual, and DOES 1-10, Inclusive,

Defendants.

CV12-6569

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**COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES
AND DECLARATORY RELIEF:**

- (1) FEDERAL TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT [15 U.S.C. § 1114/*Lanham Act* §43(a)];
- (2) FALSE DESIGNATION OF ORIGIN/UNFAIR COMPETITION/FAKE OR MISLEADING ADVERTISING [15 U.S.C. §1125(a)];
- (3) TRADEMARK DILUTION [15 U.S.C. §1125(c)];
- (4) UNFAIR BUSINESS PRACTICES [*CALIFORNIA*

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**BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS
CODE §17200];
(5) UNJUST ENRICHMENT;
(6) DECLARATORY RELIEF**

[DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL]

COMES NOW, Plaintiff LUXOTTICA RETAIL NORTH AMERICA, INC., an Ohio Corporation, and Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP, S.P.A., an Italian Joint Stock Company (collectively, hereinafter "Plaintiffs"), hereby allege as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff LUXOTTICA RETAIL NORTH AMERICA, INC. (hereinafter "LUXOTTICA RETAIL"), is now, and was at the time of the filing of this Complaint and at all intervening times, an Ohio Corporation, duly authorized and licensed to conduct business in the State of California.

2. Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP, S.P.A. (hereinafter "LUXOTTICA GROUP"), is now, and was at the time of the filing of this Complaint and at all intervening times, an Italian Joint Stock Company.

3. On information and belief, Plaintiffs allege that JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN (hereinafter "Defendant") is now, and was at the time of the filing of this Complaint, an individual residing at 2290 Water Way, Rockwall, Texas.

4. Defendant conducts business in the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Central District of California by offering counterfeits goods for sale in Los Angeles, California, that infringe on the registered trademarks of Plaintiffs.

5. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of Defendants herein named as DOES 1-10, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious

1 names. When the true names and capacities of said Defendants have been
2 ascertained, Plaintiffs will amend this pleading accordingly.

3 6. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that at all times
4 mentioned herein Defendant, and DOES 1-10, inclusive, and each of them, were
5 the agents, servants and employees of every other Defendant and the acts of each
6 defendant, as alleged herein, were performed within the course and scope of that
7 agency, service or employment.

8 7. Plaintiffs further allege that Defendant, and DOES 1-10, inclusive,
9 sued herein by fictitious names, are jointly, severally and concurrently liable and
10 responsible with the named Defendant upon the causes of action hereinafter set
11 forth (collectively, hereinafter "Defendants").

JURISDICTION/VENUE

13 8. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to
14 28 U.S.C. §§1331 and 1338(a) and (b), in that the case arises out of claims for
15 trademark infringement, false designation of origin, unfair competition and dilution
16 under the *Lanham Act* (15 U.S.C. §1051, *et seq.*), and this Court has supplemental
17 jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1367(a) and 1338 (a)(b).

18 9. LUXOTTICA RETAIL is an active corporation licensed with the
19 California Secretary of State (CA Entity Number: C1815165), with a registered
20 agent for service of process located in Irvine, California.

21 10. LUXOTTICA GROUP's products are designed and manufactured in
22 Foothill Ranch, California and overseas.

23 11. Plaintiffs have several warehouses and distribution centers in
24 California.

25 12. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants since Defendants
26 have committed tortious and illegal acts of trademark infringement and unfair
27 competition in this district and/or Defendants have sufficient minimum contacts
28 with this district such that the exercise of jurisdiction over Defendants by this

1 Court does not offend traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.
2 Among other things, Defendants have advertised, offered for sale, and sold
3 products to consumers within this judicial district that infringe on the trademarks
4 of Plaintiffs. Defendants have also offered to sell and actually sold counterfeit
5 products (described more fully below) using an interactive Internet website
6 knowing or having reason to know that consumers throughout the United States,
7 including within this judicial district, would purchase said counterfeit goods from
8 Defendants with the belief that they were purchasing authentic goods
9 manufactured and distributed by Plaintiffs or its authorized manufacturers.

10 13. Additionally, supplemental jurisdiction exists over Defendants
11 because, on information and belief, Defendants conduct business in California and
12 in this judicial district, and have purposefully directed action to California and this
13 district, or have otherwise availed themselves of the privileges and protections of
14 the laws of the State of California, such that this Court's assertion of jurisdiction
15 over Defendants does not offend traditional notions of fair play and due process.

16 14. Venue is proper in this district, *inter alia*, pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
17 §1391(b) because, on information and belief, a substantial part of the events or
18 omissions giving rise to these claims occurred in this judicial district, and has
19 caused damages to Plaintiffs in this district. The counterfeit RAY-BAN® product
20 at issue was purchased from California, paid for with funds from a financial
21 institution in California, and Defendants purposefully shipped this counterfeit
22 product into California, and, specifically, within the Central District. Defendants'
23 actions within this district directly interfere with and damage Plaintiffs'
24 commercial efforts and endeavors and harms Plaintiffs' goodwill within this
25 Venue. Moreover, Plaintiffs have a large sales force and operate a substantial part
26 of their business in California.

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

15. LUXOTTICA GROUP is the world's largest eyewear company with approximately 7,100 retail stores in North America, Asia-Pacific, China, South Africa, Latin America and Europe. LUXOTTICA GROUP is a leader in premium, luxury and sports eyewear with a strong, well-balanced brand portfolio known around the world, including, amongst others, its famous RAY-BAN®-branded eyewear and eyewear products. LUXOTTICA GROUP's RAY-BAN®-branded eyewear and eyewear products have achieved world-wide recognition and success since their introduction in 1938.

16. LUXOTTICA GROUP is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) and on the Italian Telematic Stock Exchange (“MTA”) and complies with the obligations issued by U.S. and Italian regulations for listed companies, in particular, with the provisions issued both by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Committee (“SEC”) and the Italian Securities and Exchange Commission (“CONSOB”).

17. LUXOTTICA GROUP's brand portfolio is one of the richest and most prestigious in the eyewear industry. Its two leading house brands are RAY-BAN®, the world's best-selling brand of sun and prescription eyewear, and Oakley, an undisputed leader in the performance eyewear category with its principal place of business located in Foothill Ranch, California. These brands, and others, give LUXOTTICA GROUP's portfolio unparalleled strength. Several of LUXOTTICA GROUP's other brands include Persol®, Vogue®, K&L®, Oliver Peoples®, Arnette® and Revo®. LUXOTTICA GROUP's Arnette and Revo sport brands are being re-launched and developed in Foothill Ranch, California. Its licensee brands include, among others, Bvlgari®, Burberry®, Chanel®, Dolce & Gabbana®, Donna Karan® eyewear, Polo Ralph Lauren®, Paul Smith®, Prada®, Stella McCartney®, Tiffany & Co. ®, Tory Burch®, Versace®, and Coach®. LUXOTTICA RETAIL, as a subsidiary of LUXOTTICA GROUP,

1 offers for sale, sells and distributes these various brands, including RAY-BAN®
2 and LUXOTTICA® throughout the United States of America.

3 18. In the retail sun business, LUXOTTICA GROUP operates primarily
4 through the Sunglass Hut® brand.

5 19. Direct wholesale operations are complemented by an extensive retail
6 network for prescription and sun glasses segments. LUXOTTICA RETAIL is a
7 leader in the prescription business in North America with its LensCrafters® and
8 Pearle Vision® retail brands. LensCrafters is the largest optical chain in the United
9 States, with about 90 stores in California alone. In addition, LUXOTTICA
10 RETAIL has many retail distribution accounts in California selling its products.

11 20. LUXOTTICA RETAIL is one of the largest managed vision care
12 operators through EyeMed Vision Care, and the second biggest lens finisher,
13 having a network of five central laboratories and over 900 on-site labs at
14 LensCrafters stores. LUXOTTICA RETAIL owns and operates a vision health
15 care service called Eyexam of California, Inc., a California corporation, which
16 consists of optometric offices in California employing its California optometrists.
17 Plaintiffs also own Oliver Peoples, Inc., a California corporation, and their only
18 United States based production plant is located in Foothill Ranch, California.
19 Plaintiffs Foothill Ranch, California production plant also serves as one of their
20 distribution centers. Plaintiffs also have several warehouses located in the State of
21 California.

22 21. Plaintiffs have spent substantial time, money and effort in developing
23 consumer recognition and awareness of its RAY-BAN® and LUXOTTICA®
24 marks. Plaintiffs have spent an enormous amount of money on print and internet
25 advertising in order to inform consumers of the quality of Plaintiffs' products.
26 Through the extensive use of the Plaintiffs' marks, Plaintiffs have built up and
27 developed significant goodwill in the industry. A wide array of newspapers,
28 magazines and television networks has include advertising of Plaintiffs' products,

1 which are immediately identified by Plaintiffs marks.

2 22. Plaintiffs' also use the goodwill associated with its marks in an effort
3 to bring awareness about people in need of vision care. For example, Plaintiffs own
4 and operate, OneSight, a family of charitable vision care programs dedicated to
5 improving vision through outreach, research and education. Since 1988, these
6 programs have helped more than 7 million people restore and preserve clear vision.

7 23. Plaintiffs' are the exclusive owners of federally-registered and
8 Common law trademarks. The following is a partial (non-exhaustive) list of
9 federally-registered trademarks owned by Plaintiffs':

10 A. LUXOTTICA: Registration date October 18, 1983 (Reg. No.
11 1,254,409), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

12 B. LUXOTTICA: Registration date November 8, 1988 (Reg. No.
13 1,511,615), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

14 C. LUXOTTICA: Registration date May 8, 2012 (Reg. No.
15 4,137,447), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

16 D. RAY-BAN: Registration date August 20, 1957 (Reg. No.
17 650,499), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

18 E. RAY-BAN: Registration date January 3, 1978 (Reg. No.
19 1,080,886), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

20 F. RAY-BAN: Registration date June 20, 1978 (Reg. No.
21 1,093,658), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

22 G. RAY-BAN: Registration date February 19, 1985 (Reg. No.
23 1,320,460), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP;

24 H. RAY-BAN: Registration date October 27, 1992 (Reg. No.
25 1,726,955), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP; and

26 I. RAY-BAN: Registration date October 21, 2008 (Reg. No.
27 3,522,603), held by Plaintiff LUXOTTICA GROUP. True and correct copies of
28 the certificates of registration for Plaintiffs' federally-registered marks referenced

1 herein (hereinafter "Plaintiffs' Marks") are attached hereto as **Exhibits A - I.**

2 24. Particularly in light of the success of Plaintiffs' Marks, as well as the
3 outstanding reputation they have gained, Plaintiffs and their products have become
4 targets for unscrupulous individuals and entities who wish to take a "free ride" on
5 the goodwill, reputation and fame Plaintiffs have spent considerable effort and
6 resources to build up in their products and marks.

7 25. Defendants use, amongst other things, the Internet auction website
8 known as www.eBay.com ("eBay"), under seller ID "myshadesdealer," to
9 regularly and systematically advertise, market, offer for sale, sell, and distribute
10 counterfeit products bearing Plaintiffs' Marks to consumers. At any given time,
11 there are millions of items listed on the Internet auction website www.eBay.com
12 ("eBay") for bid or purchase by its more than one million registered users. Buyers
13 have the option to purchase items in an auction-style format where users bid on
14 products or items can be purchased at a fixed price through a feature referred to as
15 "Buy It Now." Using another eBay feature referred to as "Feedback," users who
16 have made a purchase on eBay are given the opportunity to post positive, neutral or
17 negative reviews in relation to their buying experience. While feedback can give
18 some indication of sales volume, empirical evidence shows that actual sales far
19 exceed the number of feedback entries a seller receives.

20 26. Beginning on a date that is currently unknown to Plaintiffs and
21 continuing to the present, Defendants have, without the consent of Plaintiffs,
22 offered to sell and sold within the United States (including within this judicial
23 district) goods that were neither made by Plaintiffs nor by a manufacturer
24 authorized by Plaintiffs (such goods are hereinafter referred to as "Counterfeit
25 Goods") using reproductions, counterfeits, copies and/or colorable imitations of
26 one or more of Plaintiffs' Marks. On information and belief, Plaintiffs further
27 allege that Defendants imported said Counterfeit Goods into the United States, or
28 encouraged others to import said Counterfeit Goods into the United States, for the

1 purpose of reselling the Counterfeit Goods in the United States.

2 27. Through such business activities, Defendants purposely derived
3 benefit from their interstate commerce activities by expressly targeting foreseeable
4 purchasers in the State of California. But for Defendants advertising, soliciting and
5 selling, and distribution of counterfeit RAY-BAN® products in California,
6 Plaintiffs would not have been able to make a purchase of the subject product.

7 28. On February 28, 2012, in its ongoing investigation of counterfeit sales
8 of RAY-BAN® products, from the State of California, Plaintiffs' purchased a
9 purported "Ray-Ban Predator PS1 W1816 Gloss Black Frames/ RX Lens Glasses
10 Sunglasses (Item # 320847906884)" from Defendants on eBay, for a cost of
11 \$49.00 USD, which was paid via the PayPal electronic payment account of
12 Plaintiffs' investigator. A true and correct copy of the PayPal purchase receipt for
13 the item purchased is attached hereto as **Exhibit J**.

14 29. The product purchased from Defendants was inspected by Plaintiffs in
15 Los Angeles, California to determine authenticity. Plaintiffs' inspection of the
16 purchased item confirmed that the item Defendants sold to Plaintiffs' investigator
17 was, in fact, a counterfeit RAY-BAN® product.

18 30. Defendants intentionally and knowingly accepted Plaintiffs' money
19 from a financial institution located in the State of California.

20 31. Defendants also intentionally and knowingly delivered the Counterfeit
21 Goods bearing Plaintiffs' Marks into the State of California.

22 32. On information and belief, Defendants have sold no less than 957
23 Counterfeit Goods to consumers bearing Plaintiffs' Marks.

24 33. Defendants willfully use images and names identical to Plaintiffs'
25 Marks to confuse consumers and aid in the promotion and sales of its unauthorized
26 and counterfeit product. Defendants willful use of Plaintiffs' Marks include
27 importing, advertising, displaying, distributing, selling and/or offering to sell
28 unauthorized copies of Plaintiffs' RAY-BAN® sunglasses. Defendants' use of

1 Plaintiffs' Marks began long after Plaintiffs' adoption and use of its trademarks,
2 and after Plaintiffs' obtained the trademark registrations alleged above. Neither
3 Plaintiffs nor any authorized agents have consented to Defendants use of Plaintiffs'
4 Marks.

5 34. Defendants use began long after Plaintiffs' adoption and use of its
6 trademarks, and after Plaintiffs' obtained the trademark registrations alleged above.

7 35. Defendants actions have confused and deceived, or threatened to
8 confuse and deceive, the consuming public concerning the source and sponsorship
9 of the counterfeit RAY-BAN® sunglasses sold and distributed by Defendants. By
10 their wrongful conduct, Defendants have traded upon and diminished Plaintiffs'
11 goodwill. Furthermore, the sale and distribution of counterfeit goods by
12 Defendants have infringed upon Plaintiffs' Marks.

13 36. Defendants offering for sale, selling, distributing, importing and
14 encouraging others to import Counterfeit Goods in this manner was and is likely to
15 cause confusion or mistake and/or to deceive consumers who purchase the
16 Counterfeit Goods.

17 37. Defendants also offered for sale, sold, distributed, imported, and/or
18 encouraged others to import for the purpose of resale within the United States,
19 Counterfeit Goods consisting of reproductions and/or copies of products bearing
20 Plaintiffs' Marks. Defendants' use of Plaintiffs' Marks was done without
21 Plaintiffs' authorization or consent.

22 38. Plaintiffs have never authorized or consented to Defendants' use of
23 Plaintiffs' Marks or other trademarks, or any confusingly similar marks, colorable
24 imitations, or copied or derivative works by Defendants, including but not limited
25 to the RAY-BAN® marks.

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

**(Trademark Infringement Against Defendant JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN,
and DOES 1-10, Inclusive)**

[15 U.S.C. §1114/*Lanham Act* §43(a)]

39. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference each of the other allegations set forth elsewhere in this Complaint as though fully set forth in this cause of action.

40. Defendants' actions as described herein constitute direct and/or contributory trademark infringement in violation of 15 U.S.C. §1114(1)(a).

41. As a proximate result of Defendants' trademark infringement, Plaintiffs have been damaged in an amount to be proven at trial. Further, Plaintiffs allege, on information and belief, that as a proximate result of Defendants' trademark infringement, Defendants have unlawfully profited in an amount to be proven at trial.

42. At all relevant times, Defendants acted intentionally and/or willfully in using Plaintiffs' Marks on the Counterfeit Goods, knowing that Plaintiffs' Marks belonged to Plaintiffs, that the Counterfeit Goods were, in fact, counterfeit, and that Defendants were not authorized to use Plaintiffs' Marks on the Counterfeit Goods. Plaintiffs are therefore entitled to recovery of treble damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1117(a). Further, Defendants knowing, intentional and/or willful actions make this an exceptional case, entitling Plaintiffs to an award of reasonable attorney fees pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1117(a).

43. Defendants' actions also constitute the use by Defendants of one or more "counterfeit mark" as defined in 15 U.S.C. §1116(d)(1)(B). Plaintiffs therefore reserves the right to elect, at any time before final judgment is entered in this case, an award of statutory damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1117(c)(1) and/or (2).

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1 44. The acts of direct and/or contributory trademark infringement
2 committed by Defendants have caused, and will continue to cause, Plaintiffs
3 irreparable harm unless they are enjoined by this Court.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

5 (False Designation of Origin, False or Misleading Advertising Against
6 Defendant JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN, and DOES 1-10, Inclusive)

[15 U.S.C. §1125(a)]

8 45. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference each of the other allegations
9 set forth elsewhere in this Complaint as thought fully set forth in this cause of
10 action.

11 46. Defendants' actions as described herein constitute direct and/or
12 contributory violation of 15 U.S.C. §1125(a)(1)(A), as such actions are likely to
13 cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to the affiliation, connection,
14 or association of Defendants with Plaintiffs and/or as to the origin, sponsorship,
15 and/or approval of such Counterfeit Goods by Plaintiffs.

16 47. As a proximate result of Defendants' violation as described herein,
17 Plaintiffs have been damaged in an amount to be proven at trial. Further, Plaintiffs
18 allege on information and belief that, as a proximate result of Defendants' direct
19 and/or contributory trademark infringement, Defendants have unlawfully profited,
20 in an amount to be proven at trial.

21 48. Defendants' acts of violating, directly and/or contributorily, 15 U.S.C.
22 §1125, have caused, and will continue to cause, Plaintiffs irreparable harm unless
23 they are enjoined by this Court.

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THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

**(Dilution Against Defendant JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN,
and DOES 1-10, Inclusive)**

[15 U.S.C. §1125(c)]

49. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference each of the other allegations set forth elsewhere in this Complaint as though fully set forth in this cause of action.

50. Plaintiffs' Marks are distinctive and famous within the meaning of the Lanham Act.

51. Upon information and belief, Defendants' unlawful actions began long after Plaintiffs' Marks became famous, and Defendants acted knowingly, deliberately and willfully with the intent to trade on Plaintiffs' reputation and to dilute Plaintiffs' Marks. Defendants' conduct is willful, wanton and egregious.

52. Defendants' intentional sale of fake, pirated and counterfeit items bearing Plaintiffs' Marks is likely to cause confusion, mistake, or to deceive, mislead, betray, and defraud consumers to believe that the substandard imitations are genuine products manufactured by Plaintiffs. The actions of Defendants complained of herein have diluted and will continue to dilute Plaintiffs' Marks, and are likely to impair the distinctiveness, strength and value of Plaintiffs' Marks, and injure the business reputation of Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Marks.

53. Defendants' acts have caused and will continue to cause Plaintiffs irreparable harm. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law to compensate it fully for the damages that have been caused and which will continue to be caused by Defendants' unlawful acts, unless they are enjoined by this Court.

54. As the acts alleged herein constitute a willful violation of section 43(c) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1125(c), Plaintiffs are entitled to injunctive relief as well as monetary damages and other remedies provided by 15 U.S.C. §§1116, 1117, 1118, and 1125(c), including Defendants' profits, treble damages,

1 reasonable attorney's fees, costs and prejudgment interest.

2 **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

3 **(Unfair Competition Against JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN,
4 and DOES 1-10, Inclusive)**

5 **[*California Bus. & Professional Code §17200 et seq.*]**

6 55. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference each of the other allegations
7 set forth elsewhere in this Complaint as thought fully set forth in this cause of
8 action.

9 56. Defendants' actions described herein constitute unlawful, unfair
10 and/or fraudulent business acts or practices. Defendants' actions thus constitute
11 "unfair competition" pursuant to *California Business & Professionals Code*
12 §17200.

13 57. As a proximate result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiffs have suffered
14 an injury in fact, including without limitation, damages in an amount to be proven
15 at trial, loss of money or property, and diminution in the value of Plaintiffs' Marks.
16 Plaintiffs therefore have standing to assert this claim pursuant to *California*
17 *Business & Professions Code* §17204.

18 58. Defendants' actions have caused, and will continue to cause Plaintiffs
19 to suffer irreparable harm unless enjoined by this Court pursuant to *California*
20 *Business & Professions Code* §17203. In addition, Plaintiffs request that the Court
21 order that Defendants disgorge all profits wrongfully obtained as a result of
22 Defendants' unfair competition, and order that Defendants pay restitution to
23 Plaintiffs in an amount to be proven at trial.

24 **FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

25 **(Unjust Enrichment Against Defendant JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN,
26 and DOES 1-10, Inclusive)**

27 59. Plaintiffs hereby incorporate by reference each of the other allegations
28 set forth elsewhere in this Complaint as thought fully set forth in this cause of

1 action.

2 60. By virtue of the egregious and illegal acts of Defendants as described
3 above, Defendants have been unjustly enriched in an amount to proven at trial.

4 61. Defendants' retention of monies gained through its deceptive business
5 practices, infringement, acts of counterfeit and otherwise would serve to unjustly
6 enrich Defendants and would be contrary to the interests of justice.

7 **REQUEST FOR RELIEF**

8 WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs LUXOTTICA RETAIL and LUXOTTICA
9 GROUP hereby respectfully request the following relief against Defendant JOHN
10 CASEY CHRISTIAN, and DOES 1-10, inclusive, and each of them as follows:

- 11 1. For an award of Defendants' profits and Plaintiffs' damages in an amount
12 to be proven at trial for trademark infringement under 15 U.S.C.
13 §1114(a);
- 14 2. For an award of Defendants' profits and Plaintiffs' damages in an amount
15 to be proven at trial for false designation of origin and unfair competition
16 under 15 U.S.C. §1125(a);
- 17 3. For an award of Defendants' profits and Plaintiffs' damages in an amount
18 to be proven at trial for trademark dilution under 15 U.S.C. §1125(c);
- 19 4. In the alternative to actual damages and Defendants' profits for the
20 infringement and counterfeiting of Plaintiffs' Marks pursuant to the
21 Lanham Act, for statutory damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1117(c),
22 which election Plaintiffs will make prior to the rendering of final
23 judgment;
- 24 5. For restitution in an amount to be proven at trial for unfair, fraudulent
25 and illegal business practices under *Business and Professions Code*
26 §17200;
- 27 6. For an injunction by this Court prohibiting Defendants from engaging or
28 continuing to engage in the unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business acts

1 or practices described herein, including the advertising and/or dealing in
2 any counterfeit product; the unauthorized use of any mark or other
3 intellectual property right of Plaintiffs; acts of trademark infringement or
4 dilution; false designation of origin; unfair competition; and any other act
5 in derogation of Plaintiffs' rights;

6 7. For an order from the Court requiring that Defendants provide complete
7 accountings and for equitable relief, including that Defendants disgorge
8 and return or pay its ill-gotten gains obtained from the illegal transactions
9 entered into and or pay restitution, including the amount of monies that
10 should have been paid if Defendants complied with their legal
11 obligations, or as equity requires;

12 8. For an order from the Court that an asset freeze or constructive trust be
13 imposed over all monies and profits in Defendants' possession which
14 rightfully belong to Plaintiffs';

15 9. For damages in an amount to be proven at trial for unjust enrichment;

16 10. For an award of exemplary or punitive damages in an amount to be
17 determined by the Court;

18 11. For Plaintiffs' reasonable attorney's fees;

19 12. For all costs of suit; and

20 13. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and
21 equitable.

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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiffs LUXOTTICA RETAIL and LUXOTTICA GROUP, respectfully demand a trial by jury in this action.

DATED: July 30, 2012

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Exhibit A

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 1,254,409
Registered Oct. 18, 1983

TRADEMARK
Principal Register

LUXOTTICA

Luxottica, S.p.A. (Italy corporation)
32021 Agordo
Belluno, Italy

For: EYEGLASSES, SUNGLASSES, TEM-
PLATES AND EYEGLASS FRAMES, in CLASS
9 (U.S. Cl. 26).

First use 1971; in commerce 1971.

Ser. No. 361,031, filed Apr. 22, 1982.

G. T. GLYNN, Examining Attorney

Exhibit B

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 1,511,615
Registered Nov. 8, 1988

TRADEMARK
PRINCIPAL REGISTER

LUXOTTICA 

LUXOTTICA, S.P.A. (ITALY CORPORATION)
32021 AGORDO
BELLUNO, ITALY

FIRST USE 0-0-1975; IN COMMERCE
0-0-1975.
OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,231,763 AND
1,254,409.

FOR: EYEGLASSES, SUNGLASSES, TEM-
PLES AND EYEGLASS FRAMES, IN CLASS 9
(U.S. CL. 26).

SER. NO. 712,067, FILED 2-19-1988.

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Exhibit C

United States of America
United States Patent and Trademark Office

LUXOTTICA

Reg. No. 4,137,447

LUXOTTICA GROUP S.P.A. (ITALY JOINT STOCK COMPANY)
VIA CESARE CANTÙ, 2
I-20123 MILANO
ITALY

Registered May 8, 2012

Int. Cl.: 35

SERVICE MARK

PRINCIPAL REGISTER

FOR: ADVERTISING; BUSINESS MANAGEMENT; BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION; OFFICE FUNCTIONS; RETAIL AND WHOLESALE STORE SERVICES, EXCEPT TRANSPORT, FEATURING SPECTACLES, LENSES FOR SPECTACLES, FRAMES FOR SPECTACLES, CASES AND HOLDERS FOR SPECTACLES, GOGGLES, EARSTEMS, SUPPORTS AND DISPLAYS FOR SPECTACLES, CHAINS FOR EYEGLASSES, CONTACT LENSES AND CONTACT LENSES CASES; AND ONLINE RETAIL AND WHOLESALE STORE SERVICES FEATURING SPECTACLES, LENSES FOR SPECTACLES, FRAMES FOR SPECTACLES, CASES AND HOLDERS FOR SPECTACLES, GOGGLES, EARSTEMS, SUPPORTS AND DISPLAYS FOR SPECTACLES, CHAINS FOR EYEGLASSES, CONTACT LENSES AND CONTACT LENSES CASES, IN CLASS 35 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND 102).

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,254,409, 1,511,615, AND 3,239,979.

PRIORITY DATE OF 12-1-2010 IS CLAIMED.

OWNER OF INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION 1079199 DATED 3-4-2011, EXPIRES 3-4-2021.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE FANCY WORD "LUXOTTICA" REPRODUCED IN A STYLIZED CHARACTERS.

SER. NO. 79-098,052, FILED 3-4-2011.

GISELLE AGOSTO, EXAMINING ATTORNEY



David J. Kappas

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

Exhibit D

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

Reg. No. 650,499

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered Aug. 20, 1957

10 Year Renewal

Renewal Term Begins Aug. 20, 1997

TRADEMARK
PRINCIPAL REGISTER



BAUSCH & LOMB INCORPORATED
(NEW YORK CORPORATION)
ONE BAUSCH & LOMB PLACE
ROCHESTER, NY 14604, BY CHANGE OF
NAME FROM BAUSCH & LOMB OPTI-
CAL COMPANY (NEW YORK CORPO-
RATION) ROCHESTER, NY

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 361,875
AND 418,054.

FOR: SUN GLASSES, SHOOTING
GLASSES, AND OPHTHALMIC LENSES,
IN CLASS 26 (INT. CL. 9).
FIRST USE 4-0-1938; IN COMMERCE
4-0-1938.

SER. NO. 72-018,292, FILED 10-29-1956.

*In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the seal of The Patent and Trademark
Office to be affixed on Sep. 9, 1997.*

Exhibit E

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

United States Patent Office

Reg. No. 1,080,886

Registered Jan. 3, 1978

TRADEMARK
Principal Register

RAY-BAN

Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (New York corporation)
1400 N. Goodman St.
Rochester, N.Y. 14602

For: OPHTHALMIC PRODUCTS AND ACCESSORIES — NAMELY, SUNGLASSES; SHOOTING GLASSES; EYEGLASSES; SPECTACLES; GOGGLES; LENSES AND FRAMES FOR SUNGLASSES, SHOOTING GLASSES, EYEGLASSES, SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES; AND CASES AND OTHER PROTECTIVE

COVERS FOR SUNGLASSES, SHOOTING GLASSES, EYEGLASSES, SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES—in CLASS 9 (U.S. CL. 26).

First use on or about Apr. 6, 1937; in commerce on or about Apr. 6, 1937.

Owner of Reg. Nos. 361,875, 418,054 and 650,499.

Ser. No. 125,945, filed May 9, 1977.

G. DOUGLAS HOHEIN, Examiner

Exhibit F

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

Reg. No. 1,093,658

Registered June 20, 1978

United States Patent and Trademark Office

TRADEMARK

Principal Register

The logo consists of the word "Ray-Ban" written in a bold, italicized, cursive script font. The "R" and "B" are capitalized and have distinct loops. The "a" in "Ray" and the "a" in "Ban" also have loops.

Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (New York corporation)
1400 N. Goodman St.
Rochester, N.Y. 14602

For: OPHTHALMIC PRODUCTS AND ACCESSORIES—NAMELY, SUNGLASSES; SHOOTING GLASSES; EYEGLASSES; SPECTACLES; GOGGLES; LENSES AND FRAMES FOR SUNGLASSES, SHOOTING GLASSES, EYEGLASSES, SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES; AND CASES AND OTHER PROTECTIVE COVERS FOR SUNGLASSES, SHOOTING GLASSES, EYEGLASSES, SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES—in CLASS 9 (U.S. CL. 26).

First use on or about Apr. 6, 1937; in commerce on or about Apr. 6, 1937.

Owner of Reg. Nos. 361,875, 418,054, and 650,499.

Ser. No. 125,695, filed May 9, 1977.

Exhibit G

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cl.: 26

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 1,320,460

Registered Feb. 19, 1985

TRADEMARK
Principal Register



Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (New York
corporation)
1400 N. Goodman St.
Rochester, N.Y. 14692

For: SUNGLASSES AND CARRYING CASES
THEREFOR, in CLASS 9 (U.S. Cl. 26).
First use Jun. 1971; in commerce Jun. 1971.
Owner of U.S. Reg. Nos. 361,875, 418,054,
650,499, 1,080,886 and 1,093,658.

Ser. No. 468,836, filed Mar. 5, 1984.

JAMES H. JOHNSON, Examining Attorney

Exhibit H

Int. Cls.: 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 16, 18, 21, 25 and 28

Prior U.S. Cls.: 2, 3, 13, 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26,
29, 37 and 39

United States Patent and Trademark Office Reg. No. 1,726,955
Registered Oct. 27, 1992

**TRADEMARK
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

The logo consists of the word "Ray-Ban" in a stylized, italicized, lowercase font. The "R" and "B" are slightly larger and more prominent than the other letters.

BAUSCH & LOMB INCORPORATED (NEW
YORK CORPORATION)
ONE LINCOLN FIRST SQUARE
ROCHESTER, NY 14604

FOR: MEDICATED LIP BALM, IN CLASS 5
(U.S. CL. 18).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: METAL KEY CHAINS, IN CLASS 6
(U.S. CLS. 13 AND 25).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: HAND HELD TOOLS; NAMELY,
SCREWDRIVERS, IN CLASS 8 (U.S. CL. 23).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: OPHTHALMIC PRODUCTS AND AC-
CESSORIES; NAMELY, CORDS FOR USE ON
SUNGASSES, SHOOTING GLASSES, EYE-
GLASSES, SPECTACLES AND GOGGLES, IN
CLASS 9 (U.S. CL. 26).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: FLASHLIGHTS, IN CLASS 11 (U.S. CL.
21).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: COIN HOLDERS, IN CLASS 16 (U.S.
CL. 37).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: UMBRELLAS AND BAGS; NAMELY,
TOTE, DUFFLE AND ALL PURPOSE SPORTS
BAGS, IN CLASS 18 (U.S. CL. 3).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: ALL PURPOSE PORTABLE HOUSE-
HOLD CONTAINERS AND FOR CLOTHS FOR
CLEANING OPHTHALMIC PRODUCTS, IN
CLASS 21 (U.S. CLS. 2 AND 29).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: CLOTHING AND HEADGEAR;
NAMELY, HATS AND SWEATBANDS, IN
CLASS 25 (U.S. CL. 39).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

FOR: SPORTS BALLS, IN CLASS 28 (U.S. CL.
22).

FIRST USE 1-0-1991; IN COMMERCE
1-0-1991.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 361,875, 1,517,253
AND OTHERS.

SER. NO. 74-173,643, FILED 6-6-1991.

LAURA SMITH, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Exhibit I

Int. Cl.: 9

Prior U.S. Cls.: 21, 23, 26, 36, and 38

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 3,522,603

Registered Oct. 21, 2008

TRADEMARK
PRINCIPAL REGISTER



LUXOTTICA S.R.L. (ITALY LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY)
VIA VALCOZZENA, 10
32021 AGORDO (BL), ITALY

FOR: SUNGLASSES, EYEGLASSES, LENSES FOR
EYEGLASSES, EYEGLASSES FRAMES, CASES FOR
EYEGLASSES, IN CLASS 9 (U.S. CLS. 21, 23, 26, 36
AND 38).

FIRST USE 6-27-1999; IN COMMERCE 6-27-1999.

PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER SEC. 44(D) ON
ITALY APPLICATION NO. BO2006C00012, FILED 1-
31-2006.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 361,875, 1,093,658,
AND OTHERS.

THE COLOR(S) RED AND WHITE IS/ARE
CLAIMED AS A FEATURE OF THE MARK.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE WORDS "RAY-
BAN" IN STYLIZED WHITE LETTERING ON A RED
BACKGROUND RECTANGLE.

SN 78-843,120, FILED 3-22-2006.

NORA BUCHANAN WILL, EXAMINING ATTOR-
NEY

Exhibit J

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Transaction Details

Express Checkout Payment Sent (Unique Transaction ID #2LY76202XN245871L)

Original Transaction

Date	Type	Status	Details	Amount
Feb 28, 2012	Payment To john christian	Completed		\$49.00 USD

Related Transaction

Date	Type	Status	Details	Amount
Feb 26, 2012	Charge From Credit Card	Completed		\$49.00 USD

Shipping Cart Contents

Qty	Item	Options	Price
1	Ray-Ban Predator PS1W1846 Gloss Black Frames/RX Lens Glasses Sunglasses 2 Item # 32054790685		\$49.00 USD
Amount			\$49.00 USD

Item Total: \$49.00 USD

Sales Tax:

Shipping: \$0.00 USD

Seller discount or charges: \$0.00 USD

Total amount: \$49.00 USD

Fee amount: \$0.00 USD

Net amount: \$49.00 USD

Date: Feb 28, 2012

Time: 18:21:58 PST

Status: Completed

Insurance: \$0.00 USD

Shipping Address: Annie Gamb
23879 Calabasas Rd
Apt 758
Calabasas, CA 91302-1502
United States
Confirmed 

Payment To: john christian (The recipient of this payment is **Verified**)

Seller's ID: myshadesdealer

Seller's Email: kochristian@yahoo.com

Funding Type: Credit Card

Funding Source: \$49.00 USD - Visa Card XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-9998

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge George H. Wu and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Stephen J. Hillman.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

CV12- 6569 GW (SHx)

Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions should be noticed on the calendar of the Magistrate Judge

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NOTICE TO COUNSEL

A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs).

Subsequent documents must be filed at the following location:

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LUXOTTICA RETAIL NORTH AMERICA, INC., an
 Ohio Corporation, and LUXOTTICA GROUP, S.P.A.,
 an Italian Joint Stock Company,

PLAINTIFF(S)

v.

JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN, an Individual, and
 DOES 1-10, Inclusive,

DEFENDANT(S).

CASE NUMBER

CV12-6569-GW(S4K)

SUMMONS

TO: DEFENDANT(S): JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN, an Individual

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint amended complaint counterclaim cross-claim or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff's attorney, Christopher Q. Pham, Esq., whose address is 6355 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Suite 326, Woodland Hills, California 91367. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

Clerk, U.S. District Court

JUL 31 2012
 Dated: _____

By: MARILYN DAVIS

Deputy Clerk

(Seal of the Court)



[Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States. Allowed 60 days by Rule 12(p)(3).]

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL COVER SHEET

I (a) PLAINTIFFS (Check box if you are representing yourself)
 LUXOTTICA RETAIL NORTH AMERICA, INC., an Ohio Corporation, and
 LUXOTTICA GROUP, S.P.A., an Italian Joint Stock Company,

DEFENDANTS

JOHN CASEY CHRISTIAN, an Individual, and DOES 1-10, Inclusive,

(b) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number. If you are representing yourself, provide same.)
 JOHNSON & PHAM, LLP
 6355 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Suite 326, Woodland Hills, CA 91367
 Tel.: (818) 888-7540 Fax: (818) 888-7544

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an X in one box only.)

1 U.S. Government Plaintiff 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
 2 U.S. Government Defendant 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES - For Diversity Cases Only
(Place an X in one box for plaintiff and one for defendant.)

	PTF	DEF	PTF	DEF	
Citizen of This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Citizen of Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

IV. ORIGIN (Place an X in one box only.)

1 Original 2 Removed from 3 Remanded from 4 Reinstated or 5 Transferred from another district (specify): 6 Multi-District Litigation 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judge
 Proceeding State Court Appellate Court Reopened

V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND: Yes No (Check 'Yes' only if demanded in complaint.)CLASS ACTION under F.R.C.P. 23: Yes No MONEY DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT: \$ _____VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)
 Federal Trademark Infringement (15 U.S.C. section 1114 / Lanham Act section 32(a))

VII. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an X in one box only.)

OTHER STATUTES	CONTRACT	TORTS	TORTS	PRISONER	LABOR
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<input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust	<input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine	<input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane	<input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud	<input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence	<input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations
<input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking	<input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending	<input type="checkbox"/> 530 General	<input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act
<input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument	<input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander	<input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage	<input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty	<input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act
<input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation	<input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment	<input type="checkbox"/> 330 Fed. Employers' Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus/ Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL COVER SHEET

VIII(a). IDENTICAL CASES: Has this action been previously filed in this court and dismissed, remanded or closed? No Yes
If yes, list case number(s): _____

VIII(b). RELATED CASES: Have any cases been previously filed in this court that are related to the present case? No Yes
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Civil cases are deemed related if a previously filed case and the present case:

(Check all boxes that apply) A. Arise from the same or closely related transactions, happenings, or events; or
 B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or
 C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges; or
 D. Involve the same patent, trademark or copyright, and one of the factors identified above in a, b or c also is present.

IX. VENUE: (When completing the following information, use an additional sheet if necessary.)

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County in this District:*	California County outside of this District; State, if other than California; or Foreign Country
Ohio, Italy	

(b) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which EACH named defendant resides.
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	Texas

(c) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which EACH claim arose.
Note: In land condemnation cases, use the location of the tract of land involved.

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Los Angeles, CA	

* Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo Counties

Note: In land condemnation cases, use the location of the tract of land involved

X. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY (OR PRO PER):  Date 7/30/2012

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Key to Statistical codes relating to Social Security Cases:

Nature of Suit Code	Abbreviation	Substantive Statement of Cause of Action
861	HIA	All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))
862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))
863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))